

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR REDUCING COMMUNICATION LATENCY IN A WIRELESS GROUP CALL

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A wireless handheld communication device (102) for reducing a communication delay at a proximate wireless communication device is disclosed. The wireless handheld communication device simultaneously transmits to a remote station (106) through a base station (108), and transmits to the proximate wireless communication device (104) directly. The method includes communicating a first communication on first link (116) to a proximate wireless communication device and communicating, simultaneously with communicating the first communication, a second communication on a second link (112) to a base station, wherein the first communication and the second communication are substantially the same.

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